GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Polyclinics under ECHS
Singh Deo Shri Kalikesh Narayan

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of polyclinics across the country in the current year to increase geographical coverage of the ECHS if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Government has been unable to acquire land for construction of approved polyclinic buildings, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to enable acquisition of land;

(c) whether the 17 mobile clinics approved under ECHS have become operational, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government plans to add more mobile clinics, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) No, Madam. There is no proposal to increase the number of polyclinics till all the sanctioned 426 polyclinics are operationalised out of which presently, 420 are operationalised.

(b) Out of 426 locations, land has been acquired for construction of polyclinic buildings at 220 locations and land is yet to be acquired at 189 locations. Land is not required at 17 locations being mobile clinics. For early allotment of land, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri has taken up the matter with Chief Ministers. Secretary, Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare has written to Chief Secretaries and Formations Headquarters and Kendriya Sainik Board Secretariat have also been asked to assist in identifying the land for polyclinics.

(c) No, Madam. Out of 17 approved Mobile polyclinics, 14 have been operationalised. The details are at Annexure.

(d) No, Madam, as all the approved polyclinics, including Mobile Polyclinics, have not been operationalised.
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